

## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

May 18, 2005

Charles Oakes, Treasurer Oregon Republican Party 2720 Commercial St SE #210 Salem, OR 97302

Response Due Date: June 17, 2005

Identification Number: C00153031

Reference:

Amended 30 Day Post-General Report (10/14/04-11/22/04), received

5/11/05

Dear Mr. Oakes:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. An adequate response must be received at the Commission by the response date noted above. An itemization of the information needed follows:

-The beginning cash balance of this report should equal the ending balance of your Amended 12 Day Pre-General Report (10/1/04-10/13/04), received 1/24/05. Please clarify this discrepancy and amend any subsequent report(s) that may be affected by this correction.

-The totals listed on Lines 6(c), 7, 11(a)(iii), 11(d), 12, 19, 20, 21(a)(i), 21(a)(ii), 21(b), 21(c), 22, 30(a)(i), 20(a)(ii), 30(b), 30(c), 31 and 32, Column B of the Summary and Detailed Summary Page(s) appear to be incorrect. Please be advised that you should add the "Calendar Year-to-Date" total from your previous report to the current "Total This Period" figure from Column A to derive the correct Column B totals. Please amend your report and any subsequent reports that may be affected by this correction.

-Line 11(a)(i) of the Detailed Summary Page of your report discloses a total of \$19,265.00 in "Individual contributions (itemized). The sum of the entries itemized on Schedule A, however, indicates the total to be \$15,265.00. Please amend your report to clarify the discrepancy.

-Your report discloses an outstanding balance(s) beginning this period for a debt(s) owed to "Connolly & Goldian." However, an outstanding balance(s) at the close of the period was not disclosed on your Amended 12 Day Pre-General Report (10/1/04-10/13/04), received 1/24/05. Please amend your report(s) to clarify this discrepancy.

-Your amended report fails to disclose the Schedule L previously itemized on your original 30 Day Post-General Report. Please be advised that when amending an electronically filed document, you must submit a complete version of the report, rather than just those portions that are being amended. Please resubmit your report to include this omitted activity. 11 CFR §104.18(f)

-Commission Regulations require that a committee disclose the identification of all individuals who contribute in excess of \$200 in a calendar year. (11 CFR §104.3(a)(4)(i)) Identification for an individual is defined as the full name, mailing address, occupation and name of employer. (11 CFR §100.12) Your report discloses contributions from individuals for which the identification is not complete.

You must provide the missing information, or if you are unable to do so, you must demonstrate that "best efforts" have been used to obtain the information. To establish "best efforts," you must provide the Commission with a detailed description of your procedures for requesting the information. Establishing "best efforts" is a three-fold process.

First, your original solicitation must include a clear and conspicuous request for the contributor information and must inform the contributor of the requirements of federal law for the reporting of such information. (11 CFR §104.7(b)(1))

Second, if the information is not provided, you must make one follow-up, stand alone effort to obtain this information, regardless of whether the contribution(s) was solicited or not. This effort must occur no later than 30 days after receipt of the contribution and may be in the form of a written request or an oral request documented in writing. (11 CFR § 104.7(b)(2)) The request must:

- clearly ask for the missing information, without soliciting a contribution;
- inform the contributor of the requirements of federal law for the reporting of such information, and
- if the request is written, include a pre-addressed post card or return envelope.

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Third, if you receive contributor information after the contribution(s) has been reported, you shall either a) file with your next regularly scheduled report, an amended memo Schedule A listing all the contributions for which additional information was received; or b) file on or before your next regularly scheduled reporting date, amendments to the report(s) originally disclosing the contribution(s). (11 CFR §104.7(b)(4))

Please provide the missing information or a detailed description of your procedures for requesting the information. For more information on demonstrating "best efforts," please refer to the Campaign Guide.

-On Schedule H6 supporting Line 30(a) of the Detailed Summary Page, you have failed to check the appropriate allocated activity or event category box for the payment(s) made to "Oregon Republican Party Key Bank Non federal acct." Please amend your report to disclose the appropriate category.

Unlike previous election cycles, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses received on or before this date will be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered. Failure to provide an adequate response by this date may result in an audit of the committee. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action.

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1135.

Sincerely,

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